OLD ENGLAND.

By ARGUS CENTOCULI, *Inſpector-General of* Great-Britain.

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Dii multa neglecti dederunt
Heſperiæ mala luctuoſæ. HORAT.

To ARGUS CENTOCULI, *Inſpector-General*, &c.

HAVE you a Mind, Sir, to be very *ridiculous*, and to procure yourſelf the Character of a *queer out-of-the-Way* Put? If you have, e'en print what I now ſend, and I warrant, old Gentleman, you ſhall be *done for*.—But this is the Stile of the Cri—ts, whom you are to dread; I would on no Account be taken for one of them, and ſhall therefore aſſume a Language ſuitable to the Subject of which I propoſe to diſcourſe.

It is the Duty of every Member of Society to publiſh whatever occurs to him for the Good of the Whole, becauſe one Perſon may think of a Scheme or Expedient that eſcapes all the reſt: And Experience ſeems to have ſhewn us, within a few Years paſt, that our preſent Set of G——s, however vigilant as it is in Councils, and ſagacious as all the Individuals are that compoſe it, may ſometimes have Occaſion for extraordinary Advice. Thus the Opinion of the judicious Mr. *Traplaid* was neceſſary to determine the Fate of poor *Penlez*, whoſe Caſe was indeed ſo ſingular, that I believe all our Books of Precedents cannot afford us one for Capital Puniſhment of a Perſon under his Circumſtances in every Reſpect. And thus, in an Affair of much greater Importance, the Murrain among the Cattle, it was thought prudent to adviſe not with a ſingle J——ce only, but with a whole Bench of J——es, to know what Method ſhould be taken.

As in this Caſe it was not Man, nor any Effect of human Wiſdom or Reſentment, that the Regulation ſought after was to oppoſe, it is ſurprizing that his own Piety did not ſuggeſt to any one in this double C——l, R—t H——le the R—t W——l, an old-faſhioned Method which in the Days of our Grandfathers would have occurred to every Member of both Orders: I mean, (for I muſt bring it out at laſt) that none of theſe Gentlemen reflected that the Judgments of God are in his own Hands; that when his Wrath is kindled, the Policy of Man cannot ſtay the Progreſs of it; that Humiliation before him, is the only known Means of recovering his Favour; and that therefore not merely a Prohibition of Removal, dictated with ſuch an Air as if human Authority could reach the Cauſe of the Calamity, but an Acknowledgment of the Crimes that had brought down this Viſitation upon us, with a ſolemn and affecting Deprecation of the Divine Mercy, ought to be contained in the very Declaration itſelf, that regulated the Conduct of the Owners in reſpect to their Cattle.

If our R——rs had once fallen on this Method, there might have been Hopes of their continuing in it, and reviving an antiquated obſolete Cuſtom, which, however deſpiſed at preſent, was thought to have ſomething extremely decent and becoming in it when practiſed. We might have been reminded, as our Fathers had been, in every Proclamation, Speech, and Addreſs, of that tremendous and omnipotent Being, *by whom Kings reign*, on whom alone depends the Efficacy of the greateſt mortal Power, and without whoſe Concurrence human Policy and Skill are fruitleſs, and as nothing: That great God, in a Word, who gave us Exiſtence, and all the Means of exiſting happily; who has promiſed his Favour to thoſe that are mindful of him, and call upon his Name; but threatens more grievous Puniſhments than any we have yet experienced, in this forgetful and diſſolute Age, on thoſe who ſet at nought his Admonitions, and trample his Commandments under their Feet.

Singular as it may ſeem, Mr. *Centoculi*, I am truly of Opinion that a Face of Religion is no diſgraceful Thing even in a Court; that the greateſt Miniſter upon Earth, or even the greateſt Prince, need not be aſhamed to confeſs that he believes in One greater than himſelf; that a Confeſſion of this kind, frequently and ſeriouſly repeated in the ordinary Acts of the Adminiſtration of Government, would certainly have a good and beneficial Effect on the Minds of the common People, and by degrees muſt have a happy Influence on their Manners; and in fact, that no Government can be well adminiſter'd, no People can be brave, united, and virtuous, without ſome of the Spirit of Piety, as well as the Form of it.

It is to me a real Matter of Concern, Sir, that there ſeems very little, even of the latter, among the Great, and that thoſe few Individuals of high Rank, who are ſuſpected of private Devotion, and the Regularity of whoſe Domeſticks ſhews that they do not live in the moſt faſhionable Families, rarely dare profeſs themſelves on public Occaſions, and in polite Company, to be more conſcientious than others of the ſame Quality. No wonder that the Caſe is the ſame among People in the lower Orders of Society. The Gentlemen of ſmaller Fortunes always imitate thoſe of larger; and the Men of Wit and Learning are ſeldom behind the beſt, according to their Ability, in the various Extravagancies of the Faſhion.—But while I own my Concern at this general Depravity, it would be diſhoneſt in me not to confeſs my particular Weakneſs on this Side. There are very few Moments in which I could be ſo courageous as to reprove my Friends whom I condemn, and to deliver as much in Speech as I now venture, under the Seal of Secrecy, to communicate to you in Writing. It is doubtleſs the ſame with many Thouſands, who want nothing to make them virtuous and religious, but that Virtue and Religion ſhould be countenanced.

Tho' the Faſhion of a Sleeve, or of a Wig, may be introduced by a Taylor or a Barber, it is quite otherwiſe with the Modes of Thinking, and the Habits of Life. Perſons of Authority muſt here lead the Way, and that not by their Commands only, and the Penalties denounced againſt Diſobedience, but by their Practice and Example. Injunctions and Prohibitions have ſo much the Air of a Farce, when thoſe who make them viſibly pay no Regard to them, that the Populace will no farther obey than is barely neceſſary to their own Safety; and will ſometimes even run the Hazard of that, to commit an Action which they ſee their Superiors commit without ſcruple. This ever has been, and ever will be the Caſe, in all other Countries as well as *England*.

What will be the natural Effect of an Order againſt profane Swearing, when iſſued by a Set of ſwearing Magiſtrates? The higher thoſe Magiſtates are, the more abſurd and ridiculous their Commands muſt ſeem to thoſe that are acquainted with their Characters and Practice. If it even comes from the moſt reſpectable of all B——ds, the **l **le, it will only remind other Perſons that his * the * of——, the R—t H——le the * of——, and the R— H—— Mr. ——, are ſome of the greateſt common Swearers in the Kingdom.—Or ſuppoſe the Order to be againſt breaking the Sabbath, will it be forgot at whoſe Houſes the Sabbath is moſt conſtantly broke throughout the Year? And that not merely by a Neglect of the Duties appointed for the Day, or by the ceremonious Cuſtom of paying and returning Viſits, but by deep Engagements in Parties of Vice, eſpecially Gaming, which on all Days is unlawful, and extremely hazardous to the Repoſe of the Mind, as well as to the Fortune.

If Penalties are on theſe Occaſions annexed againſt Offenders, and in ſome Inſtances vigorouſly levied, while in others there is a moſt partial Indulgence, will not a Complaint of Unrighteouſneſs be juſtly laid againſt thoſe in Authority? May it not reaſonably be ſurmiſed, that the pretended Godlineſs, of which they manifeſtly have none in their Lives, is only a Market for Gain, or a political Bridle introduced by Way of Reſtraint on civil Liberty? Ought not the Authors of ſuch Atheiſtical Mockery to be call'd to a ſevere Account, or at leaſt to be for ever removed from a Station where their Lives muſt be, one Way or another, examples of that better Man——whoſe Conduct may contribute to amend the Age, and teach us to pray for our religious M——y, as well as for our religious and gracious King?

But, in order to ſhew that I am no Party-man, and do not propagate theſe Notions to get the Ad****n into other Hands than it is at preſent, I am content that if they make all the Atonement in their Power for what is paſt, by frankly confeſſing their Errors, and reſolve to act for the Future as becomes Chriſtian M——ers (beginning immediately to put their Reſolution in Practice, that all the Kingdom may have a Specimen of their Reformation); I am content, I ſay, on this Condition, that the ſame Perſons, who ſeem to think they have a kind of Life-tenure in their ſeveral Poſts, ſhould be tolerated a ſufficient Time to give them a new Probation. If they failed, on this Trial, it would be a certain Confirmation of what has long been ſhrewdly ſuſpected, *viz.* that their Abilities are altogether as mean as their Morals have hitherto been vicious.

And here, if I knew how, I would pen a Whiſper for the Ears of ſome particular Men, who want to be privately told of what all the World ſays publickly of them already: (But the public Voice, it ſeems, is a Sound not ſuited to their Organs, and therefore they never hear it, let it be ever ſo loud:) The Truth I would whiſper is, That the People of *G—— B——* have ſo contemptible an Idea of their Policy alone, that I cannot think it will long ſupport them without ſome Auxiliary Prop, for which purpoſe Nothing can be ſo ſerviceable as a Shew of Religion. But this Shew muſt be in their Practice, as well as in their Words, or it will ſtand them in no Stead: And if it once gets into their Practice, I ſhould not deſpair that it might in Time reach their Hearts.

This Phænomenon of a pious C——t, should it ever be seen in *England*, would infallibly produce a most extraordinary Effect: For I do not think my Countrymen are naturally more profligate than other Nations, or that the present Age would in general be worse than any former, were it not for the Contagion of bad Examples. By the Multitudes that a few Field-preachers, without Authority or Countenance, have drawn after them, we plainly see that the common People are sensible of some Deficiency in the ordinary Practice of Religion: And what a good Use might be made of this Disposition properly encouraged, and rationally directed, it is easy in some Measure to foresee.

I am moreover so superstitious, Friend *Argus*, as to imagine we should reap the Fruit of such a Reformation in our future Prosperity; that Corruption would fly before it, from the Army, from the Navy, from the S——te, and from all Ranks and Professions among us; that as our Councils would be more united, our Views must be all as of one Man, and our Success in Peace and War answerable to such national Harmony.—But I proceed no farther, lest I bring on myself the Charge of Enthusiasm, which I would as carefully avoid as that of Libertinism. Let me only add, that my Meaning has been right, if I have been but happy in expressing it, and that I am,

Mr. ARGUS, *Yours, &c.*

A LAYMAN.

Errata, *In our last:* P. 1. Col. 1. L. 33. for *certain*, read *captious*.

LONDON.

Tuesday was held a Court of Common Council at Guildhall, when a Petition from William Hulls, Esq; (who was drank to by the present Lord Mayor, to be Sheriff of this City) was read, setting forth, that he had, on the 22d of June last, paid into the Chamberlain's Office 400 l. with the usual Fees, to be excused the said Office; but it being past the Time limited, he could not be thereby discharged, without paying 600 l. &c. and it appearing that he had inadvertently slipp'd the Time, the Court was pleased to agree with his Petition, and discharged him for the Sum he had lodged in.

Two Petitions were presented to the Court, the one from the Assignees of the Estate of Edward Richardson, a Bankrupt, late Under Marshal; and the other from the said Edward Richardson, when after many Debates they were referred to the Committee of City Lands, to hear the Merits of the same, and to report them to a future Court.

The Court agreed with the Report of the Committee, to whom four Tenements were committed, and referred the same back to the said Committee to prepare a Bill, on which a New By-Law is intended to be made.

John Wallenger, Esq; was discharged from serving the Office of Sheriff thro' Insufficiency of Estate

William Alexander, Esq; chosen at the same Time, having been very ill for some Days past, has deferred giving his Answer, whether he will take upon him the said Office, till the next Court of Aldermen.

On Monday as a Man was driving a Cart near Pancras, the Horses suddenly took Fright, and he endeavouring to stop them was thrown down, by which Accident the Cart went over him, and he was killed on the Spot.

Capt. Cope, formerly in the East India Service by Sea is appointed Governor of Calcutter in the East Indies, in the room of Major Howard.

Tuesday a second four Wheel Carriage, made by Mr. Wright, Coach Maker in Long Acre, was sent from thence to Newmaket, to be made use of in the Wager of drawing a four Wheel Carriage 19 Miles within an Hour. It is a most surprizing Piece of Mechanism, and it is said does not weigh much more than one hundred Weight.

Wednesday Richard Melcalf was brought to the Court of King's Bench, Westminster, and there pleaded Guilty to an Information exhibited against him by Mr. Attorney General, for seducing four Artificers in the Woollen Manufactory to go out of this Kingdom to Spain; when after several learned Arguments on both Sides, he was remanded back to Prison for three Months, and fined 100 l. The Counsel for the Crown, were Mr. Attorney and Mr. Solicitor General; for the Defendant, Mr. Hume Campbell and Mr. Pratt.

All the Summons for the Knights of the Garter to attend the Installation at Windsor, on the 12th Instant, have been signed by his Majesty, and countersigned by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle

The Earl of Inchiquin is Proxy for his Royal Highness Prince George. The other Proxies are Sir Clement Cottrel, Sir Everard Faukenar, Sir Multon Lambard, and Sir Charles Egleton.

Wednesday the Workmen began to lay the Foundation of the new Horse Guard House, War Office, &c. opposite Whitehall, which is ordered to be carried on with the greatest Expedition, an additional Number of Hands being employed for that Purpose.

From the LONDON GAZETTE.

Gambroon, Feb. 11. Capt. Lisle is ordered to hoist the Broad Pennant in India, where he is to stay three Years and to dispose the Ships under his Command to such Parts of India as may be thought most for the Company's Interest.

Two twenty Gun Ships are to cruize in this Gulph and Mocha. Madrass is resettled, and promises to be as flourishing as ever. During the Time it was in possession of the French, none of the Subjects returned, and the Town was reduced to great Streights for Provisions; but on the News of the English returning every Body got ready, and as soon as the British Flag was hoisted, they came in from all Parts, and in 14 Days Time there were Merchants in Town that would take off four or five Bengal Cargoes for ready Money. Admiral Boscawen made it a Free Port for six Months.

On Saturday last Capt. Edward Clarke, who was convicted the Sessions before last, for the Murder of Captain Innes, appeared in the Court of King's Bench at Westminster; and pleaded his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

Last Saturday Evening Mr. Whittle, a Farmer, was robbed by two Highwaymen, near Holiden Green, of ten Guineas and some Silver.

Last Week the Magistracy of the Cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow presented William Belchier, Esq; Member of Parliament for the Borough of Southwark, with the Freedom of those Cities, for the Service, done by him to his King and Country, and particularly for his indefatigable Industry in promoting the British Fishery.

The young Woman that was so cruelly used by a Villain in Thomas Street and who lodges at Mr. Overton's a Baker, near Queen Street, Drury Lane, is perfectly cur'd (though yet extremely weak) through the Science and Humanity of the Physician and Surgeon who attended her. This great Cure was completed in fourteen Days. She has the destructive Instrument in her own Possession.

On Saturday a Master Carman went into Newgate to see a Fellow of his Acquaintance (to whose Mother he allows a Penny a Day towards her Support) and sent for him into the Taphouse, where he treated him with some Veal and strong Beer, and filled his Belly; but the Carman having drank before was soon intoxicated, and fell asleep, when his Companion took the Opportunity and picked his Benefactor's Pocket of his Money, and went up to his Confinement again; soon after the Carman awoke, and missed his Money, consisting of four Half Crowns and two Shillings: and one of the Half Crowns being mark'd he sent for the Fellow down, and had him searched, when the Money was found upon him.

[illegible] two Brick Carts, in Hackney Road, occasioned merely by the Villany of the two Drivers, who stood in their Carts whipping the Horses, to try which should get foremost; without paying any Regard to Persons passing the Road.

Friday 7-Night the Justices at Southwark and Newington issued out Warrants for apprehending a Number of disorderly and idle People, who used to loiter all Day about Lock Fields, &c. and several of them being brought before their Worships, who could give no account how they liv'd, they were ordered to be whipped at the Whipping Post at Newington; and accordingly five Men and four Women received Correction there, and were afterwards committed to Bridewell to hard Labour. A laudable Example to all the Magistrates round this Metropolis, the Fields being pestered with Gamblers, Thieves, &c.

On Tuesday Evening, a Tradesman that lived in Kent street-Road, fell into a Ditch as he was coming from Deptford, and was suffocated.

Last Wednesday, according to Custom, the Gentlemen belonging to the Exchequer, had an elegant Entertainment at the King's Arms, New Palace Yard, of a Brace of Bucks, which were a Present to them from his Majesty.

We hear that a Man who used to black Shoes at the End of Dartmouth Steet, Westminster, who died on Monday, has left by his Will to his Relations 250 l.

The Figure of a Lion, of a large Magnitude, carved in the Stone, being the Crest of the Earl of Northumberland, is put over the Front, on the Top of Northumberland House.

On Monday last as Mr. George Robinson of Maidenhead, was coming in a Barge through Walton Bridge, the Sail being up he went to lower it, but not being quick enough, the Sail struck him against the Bridge with such Violence, that his Skull was fractured and he died immediately.

Tuesday Sir Samuel Gower, Knt. committed to New Prison the Driver of a Cart laden with Dung, that belonged to Mr. Brown of Newington. His Horses the Day before near Shoreditch Church hemm'd in Mr. Shilly, a Farmer of Loughton in Essex, and his Mother, both on one Horse, between the fore Horse of the said Cart and the Thiller, which latter threw them off, whereby they were run over, the Mother killed on the Spot, and the Son so dangerously bruised, that his Life is despared of. The Coroner's Jury sat last Wednesday on the Body of the deceas'd, and brought in their Verdict, Manslaughter.

Thursday the Gentlemen who conduct the Fishery, received the first Parcel of Herrings, caught by the Pelham and Carteret Busse, off Shetland.

Several Abuses in the Marching Regiments being complained of, the same is, by the Duke's Order, to be [illegible] before some General Officers to be redressed.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has appointed the First General Seal after Trinity Term to be held on the 11th Inst. the Second on the 19th; the Third on the 25th; and the Fourth on the 7th of August.

Thursday was held a Court at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, after which the President, Treasurer and Governors of the said Hospital were elegantly entertained in the Great Court Room at Dinner, by the following Persons, viz.

His Grace the D. of Beaufort,	John Walton, Esq;
Norbone Berkeley, Esq;	Richard Turner, Esq;
Edward Vernon, Esq;	Mr. Deputy Cleeve,
Robert Barbon, Esq;	Mr. Benjamin Cleeve,
Henry Rowe, Esq;	Mr. Jonathan Ellis,
Christopher Arnold, Esq;	Mr. Walsingham Beazley.

There were present at the above Entertainment, the Lord Carpenter, General Oglethorpe, Sir William Pepperell, several of the Aldermen, and many other Governors.

Admiral Vernon brought with him some of the Herrings catch'd by the British Busses; on which the President drank the Admiral's Health, and Thanks to him for his great Assiduity in promoting the Bill for encouraging the British Fishery.

A few Days ago a Woman, pretending to be dumb, was committed by Justice Galliard of Edmonton to the House of Correction at Clerkenwell; and, altho' she appeared in a miserable ragged Condition, on searching her upwards of 104 l. with a Pair of Silver Shoe Buckles was found concealed in her Cloaths; and there is a fine Holland Shift, and several Handkerchiefs, in the Custody of Mr. Samuel Tull, of Edmonton, that were found upon the said Woman.

Extract of a Letter from Brussels, dated July 1. N.S.

"The Report spread some time ago, that his Most Christian Majesty had sent fresh Orders to the Marquis de Caylus, Governor of Martinico, to evacuate the Islands of Tobago, St. Lucia, &c. was Premature. We have Advice from very good Hands at Rochel, that the Frigate which was to carry those Orders is still in that Port, nor does any one know when she will set sail: Hence, we are inclined to believe that this Affair, may be one of those Articles which are to be determined at the Conference to be held by the Commissaries of the two Crowns, for settling their respective Limits and Possessions in America."

COUNTRY NEWS.

Huntingdon, June 27. Last Night, between the Hours of Nine and Ten, was seen a very remarkable Phænomenon hovering in the Air, to the great Surprize of all that saw it: It was a Circus of the Bigness of the Moon when at the full, but somewhat brighter: It appeared to be about five hundred Foot high, and seem'd to fall perpendicular on the Town of Godmanchester, and in it's Motion carried a Tale with it like a Comet.

One Day last Week, a violent Storm of Hail fell at Birmingham, (with much Thunder and Lightning) in which fell Hail Stones that Measure more than two Inches round; and what is remarkable the Storm did not reach a Mile from the Town, in the Way to Wolverhampton.

SCOTLAND.

Edinburgh, June 26. By a Ship arrived in the Road of Leith, which left Zetland on Thursday last, we have Advice, that the Dutch have just now 240 Busses employed there in the Herring Fishery, and that there are only two English; that the latter had wet their Nets on the 14th Instant, and that Night, in about two Hours Time, had caught 21 Barrels which were pack'd and ship'd off for Hamburgh in a few Hours after.

The fine Rains we have had these few Days give us the Prospect of a fine Crop of all Kinds of Grain.

Bressa Sound in Shetland, June 13. Arrived here the Pelham Buss and Dispatch Tender.

There came into the Sound the same Day a Dutch Admiral and 60 Busses. As also three Swedish and two French Busses, and more of the same Nation are to follow them. The Carteret Buss and her Tender are expected in this Evening

BANKRUPTS.

John Portlock, of Leadenhall-street, London, Hosier and Chapman.

Seth Ward of Burton upon Trent, in the County of Stafford, Merchant.

Ralph Higginson, of Northwich in the County of Chester, Merchant.

Francis Smith of Watling-street, London, Linnen-draper.

Mrs. Keith's Corpſe was removed from her Huſband's Houſe in May-Fair the Middle of October laſt, to an Apothecary's in South Audley Street, where ſhe lies in a Room hung with Mourning, and is to continue there till Mr. Keith can attend her Funeral.——Several Perſons, belonging to Churches and Chapels, together with many others, ſuppoſing the Marriages at May Fair New Chapel to be detrimental to their Intereſt, have made it their Buſineſs to rave and clamour, but in ſuch a Manner as not to deſerve an Anſwer, becauſe every Thing they have ſaid tends only to expoſe their own Ignorance and Malice, in the Opinion of People of good Senſe and Underſtanding.—The Way to Mr. Keith's Chapel is thro' Piccadilly, by the End of St. James's-Street, and down Clarges-Street, and turn on the Left Hand. The Marriages (together with a Licence on a Five Shilling Stamp, and Certificate) are carried on for a Guinea, as uſual, any Time 'till four in the Afternoon, by another regular Clergyman, at Mr. Keith's Little Chapel in May Fair, near Hyde Park Corner, oppoſite the Great Chapel, and within Ten Yards of it. There is a Porch at the Door like a Country Church Porch.

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